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Form National Prayer Crusade In Chicago

A Nation-Wide Appeal For Million Men, Women and Children to Prayer for the Nation and the World

The critical crisis which our nation faces and the fact that the whole world may now be on the verge of a global conflict which could destroy our civilization as we know it, has stirred the Rev. Allen R. Blegen, Director of the Lutheran Gospel Hour into doing something about it. Almost single handed he has launched a new nation-wide, interdenominational movement for prayer called the AMERICAN PRAYER FORCE. Already several thousand among his radio listeners are going "all-out" to help him enlist more than ten million prayer partners.

Pastor Blegen, who for 13 years has directed a world-wide Prayer Fellowship says, "Only God can avert catastrophe. I firmly believe that if God's people all over our nation lifted up their voices in a great volume of prayer the evil forces at work in the world today could be thwarted and peace could be assured."

The plan of the AMERICAN PRAYER FORCE is to enlist men and women
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Greek Protestants Refused Permit To Build Church

ATHENS —(RNS)— The Greek Ministry of Cults has rejected a petition by the Greek Evangelical Church to build a house of worship in the village of Neos Mylotopos in Macedonia.

The ministry reportedly acted on the advice of Greek Orthodox Metropolitan Pandeimon of Edhessa. The metropolitan submitted a report stating that while he had no personal objection to the erection of the proposed Evangelical church, he felt that local inhabitants "would not tolerate such a building in their village."

Under the law, Greek Orthodox authorities are entitled to be consulted in all cases where non-Orthodox groups
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LIQUOR SPONSORS PICTURE ATTACKING PROHIBITION

An extraordinary scheme financed by liquor and beer associations and supported by liquor stores and saloons is under way throughout the country, obviously intended to mislead church people and even to bribe their attention by offering to pay churches for individual showings of a cleverly made and expensively prepared 52 minute long motion picture, sententiously called "The Truth Shall Make You Free."

The film pretends to epitomize America's dealing with the alcohol problem through the past century. Its atmosphere, redolent with religious and moral purposes, closeups of every day Ameri-

Conserve Results Of Crusade Revivals

"Follow-Through" Is Essential To Success

By CHESTER L. QUARLES
Executive Secretary

The Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade east of the Mississippi River will close next Sunday. The more than 18,000 churches who have cooperated in this gigantic effort will hold their final services then. Special services necessarily must be discontinued sometime, but we hope and pray that the revival and the evangelistic efforts will not be discontinued.

"Following through" is essential in a real revival. Many people have been reached during the services. Some under conviction, no doubt, did not make a public confession of faith. These should be carefully and prayerfully "followed up." Our concern for the lost must

not cease when the special services close.

Many churches are organizing classes to study the new book by Dr. James Sullivan, "Your Life and Your Church." This book is designed for five nights study. Some churches will study it in five successive nights, others will study it on five successive Sunday nights. Many churches will continue this class of study indefinitely. The first chapter is designed to aid a person in knowing whether he has had a real experience of grace or not.

In conserving the results of evangelism we must consider the deep and abiding values of our organizations. Every new member of our churches
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GREETINGS TO NEWCOMERS. . . Two new Southern Baptist Convention agencies have moved offices to Nashville. Dr. Orin Cornett (left), secretary of the Southern Baptist Education Commission and Dr. Norman W. Cox (center), secretary of the Southern Baptist Historical Society are greeted by Dr. Duke K. McCall, executive secretary of the Executive Committee and treasurer of the Southern Baptist Convention. —BP.

Russia's Suppression of Religion To Prevent Early World War III

Disaffection is rife within Russia and her satellite states, and the unrest is serious enough to prevent the masters of the Kremlin from risking a full scale World War III, according to Harold E. Stassen, president of the University of Pennsylvania. Among the strong contributing factors is the suppression of religion by the Communists.

The general disaffection would burst forth in counter-revolution should the Kremlin begin a third world war, he declares, if this were aided from the outside. Therefore he urges that America and other free nations take advantage of Russia's apparent weaknesses now

by a well-organized and positive counter-approach to these restive peoples.

The ethnic disunity of 175 different national groups with 17 nationalities having populations of over one million each, is one great weakness in the Soviet set-up, he points out, with the additional problem of several strong religious groups cutting across nationalities.

"Every one of these groups," Mr. Stassen says, "other than the Russians themselves, burns with intense resentment over their domination by the Kremlin rulers in Moscow, and all the people, including the Russians themselves,
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Special Baptist Hour Broadcast To Be Heard April 8

A special Crusade broadcast of the Baptist Hour will be heard on Sunday afternoon, April 8. It is expected that congregations will gather in thousands of churches throughout the Southern Baptist Convention to hear this broadcast on the last day of the Crusade revivals. Dr. C. E. Matthews will be the speaker. His subject will be "The Greatest Question."

Stations in Mississippi which will carry the broadcast include: WFOR, Hattiesburg; WAML, Laurel, at 4:30; WJDX, Jackson, 2:00; WGRM, Greenwood; WMC, Memphis at 8:30 a. m., and WMIS, Natchez at 10:30 a. m.

The regular Sunday afternoon broadcasts will be heard over the usual stations at the regular time. Rev. Charles Wellborn will do the preaching. Station carrying the regular broadcast are as follows:

WJMB, Brookhaven, 1:30 PM; WACR, Columbus, 2:30 PM; WJPR, Greenville, 6:00 PM; WSLI, Jackson, 1:30 PM; WMBC, Macon, 2:30 PM; WAPF, McComb, 2:30 PM; MCOC, Meridian, 2:30 PM; WROB, West Point.

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Sunday School Board To Produce Films

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BP)—The Visual Aid service of the Baptist Sunday School Board has entered the field of production, according to Mr. Earl Waldrup, director of the Service. All types of filmstrips, filmslides and motion pictures will be produced in co-operation with other Baptist agencies.

Mr. Ralph Rogers, Waco, Texas, who has had considerable experience as motion picture technician has joined the department as cameraman. Mr. Bryce Finch who has been with the Board several years will produce still photographs.

Production will include facilities for the handling and writing of scripts, manuals and study guides. It will also include a complete photography, laboratory and recording services. The films will be distributed under the trade-name of Broadman Films.

10,000 YOUNG PEOPLE EXPECTED IN SAN FRANCISCO SBC YOUTH RALLY

Ten thousand young people are expected to throng the San Francisco Civic auditorium the night of June 23 to attend a gigantic youth rally. The rally will be a special feature of the 93rd annual session of the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in the Bay city at that time.

Dr. G. Kearnie Keegan, secretary of student work, SBC, Nashville, Tenn., recently met with youth leaders to organize the program and publicity.

Howard Butt, a successful young business executive of the Southwest, is scheduled to be the principal speaker of the evening.

Wilbur F. Martin, professor of sacred music at Golden Gate Baptist Seminary in Berkeley, will conduct a 500-voice youth choir. The Wayland College International choir will also sing.

Dr. Keegan is emphasizing to the local Christian forces that while the program is under the auspices of the Southern Baptist Convention, he is desirous that every denomination participate. "If we work together," said Dr. Keegan, "the meeting cannot help but be a success for Christ."

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HOW TO LOSE "FREEDOM" IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA

Geneva, —(EPS)— The progressive domestication of the Czech churches, Protestant and Catholic, has been put in writing by the communist-dominated government in the text of a penal code put into effect in August of this year. Printed in the official publication of the Czech Brethren church, parts of the code cited "loss of freedom" for various offenses against the State.

Text of the code, as it applies to the churches and their pastors, follows:

Penal Judicial Law—Misuse of Religious Function

"Anyone who misuses his position in the Church for the purpose of influencing political affairs in a manner injurious to the People's Democracy shall be deprived of his personal freedom for a period varying from three months to three years.

The perpetrator shall be deprived of his freedom for a period varying from one year to five years.

(A) if he refuses to perform a religious function to which he is called as a pastor (or in a similar capacity); or

(B) if there are any other aggravating circumstances

Anyone who performs pastoral functions in the church or religious societies without the consent of the State, shall be punished with the loss of freedom up to three years.

Similarly shall be punished anyone who performs pastoral functions in church or religious societies in a locality in which he was not placed with the consent of the State.

Whoever appoints any person to perform pastoral functions in a church or religious societies without the consent of the State shall be punished by loss of freedom for a period varying from one to five years.

Anyone who deliberately interferes with, or impedes, the authority of the State supervisor over a church or religious societies shall be punished with loss of his freedom for a period varying from one to five years.

The same penalty shall be meted out to anyone who, in any other way

Bill Causey Named MC BSU President

Bill Causey of Greenville has been elected President of the Baptist Student Union for the next session, according to Charles Tolbert, Student Secretary. Causey was sent to Alaska last summer by the students of the state to do missionary work during the vacation. He is a leader not only in religious work but in athletics and other school activities.

Other officers elected are: Peyton Moore, Meridian, First Vice President; Joan Stockstill, Hattiesburg, Second Vice President; Billie Frances Hilburn, Cleveland, Third Vice President; Frank Horton, Drew, Talent Chairman; Dolores Slay, Crystal Springs, Recording Secretary; Kathryn Ball, Columbia, Publicity Chairman; Jimmy Pittman, Greenwood, External Relations Chairman; Bobby Hannah, Clinton and Evelyn Stigler, Sidon, Co-Chairmen, Sunday School Promotion; Bill Ray, Louisville, Ky., and Joy Morgan, Jackson, Co-Chairmen Training Union Promotion; Bill Wilson, New Albany, Treasurer.

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Army Announces Huge Beer Purchases

The U. S. Army is almost certain to draw renewed criticism from organized temperance groups as a result of its disclosure that it purchased almost \$10,000,000 worth of beer for men serving overseas in 1956. No wine or hard liquor was purchased in the U. S. for overseas sale, the Army maintains.

The beer was purchased with non-appropriated funds for resale through servicemen's and officers' clubs and post exchanges, the Army stated. As of October 25, last, beer has been shipped free to overseas commands by the Department of Defense's military sea transport service. Beer at that time was declared essential to troop morale and was put on the free shipping list. Before that time, the Army exchange service paid normal freight charges.

Meanwhile, the National Temperance League here has commended General Dwight D. Eisenhower for his statement that "the American fighting man calls for Coca-Cola and not for the traditional beer" most of the time.

"Many American parents would feel much better about having their sons drafted if they could be assured that the boys would have soft drinks and wholesome fruit juices, and no beer," the Temperance League stated. "The sale of beer is in the interests of the brewers, and not in the interest of building morale among the Armed Services."

(Editor's Note: And you and you helped pay for it.)

deliberately infringes the law concerning the economic security of churches and religious societies.

Penal Administration Law: Defense of Order In Matters Concerning Churches.

Anyone who fails to keep the ordinances, or who infringes the law relating to the legal position of churches and religious societies, especially anyone who endangers or obstructs the functions of the state supervisor of property appertaining to churches and religious societies, shall be fined 100,000 KC. (KC-Czech Crowns) or lose his freedom for a period up to three months.

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ANOTHER UNION IN YOUR CHURCH

One result of the revival should be the enlargement of the Training Union. At least one additional union should be added in every church, and in many churches a full departmentized program should be perfected.

BOOKS YOU WILL WANT TO BUY

O Worship The King is a collection of 40 worship services in song in four parts. The first three parts contain planned worship services (1) for general use; (2) for special occasions, such as religious holidays, etc.; (3) for choir use. Part four presents an array of possibilities for using hymns in worship services in order to lend variety and interest to the services. Two dollars at the Baptist Book Store, Jackson, Miss., after April 16th.

The Meaning and Message of the Book of Revelation is a new book from the pen of Dr. Edward A. McDowell, professor of New Testament Interpretation, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky. It brings out the fact that the book of Revelation has a vital and timely message for Christians in today's confused world.

Europe, Whither Bound? A book of five chapters written by four men, two of whom are sons of Mississippi. Dr. J. D. Franks writes on "Europe Today."

W. Dewey Moore, writes the chapter "Italy, The Land of the Book." J. D. Hughey, Jr., presents a picture of "Baptists In Spain." John Allen Moore writes on Hungary and Yugoslavia. These five stories has been compiled by Miss Nan F. Weeks. Available now at 85 cents.

Sixty days to June 4th—That is opening day for the District Convention. Five days a week for three weeks. No less than a thousand individuals will participate in these programs. Plan to attend and bring a good group from your church to the convention in your district. If you do not have facts concerning place, time and program, drop us a card.

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Form National Prayer

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throughout the nation to sign the simple four-point prayer pledge:

In the Light of the world conditions I promise to pray as God shall remind me:

1. For Spiritual Revival
2. For the Church of Jesus Christ
3. For a Return to Morality
4. For our Nation and the World.

There are no dues or solicitation of funds in the new movement, nor is it political in any sense. There will be no formal organization meetings. Members are asked only to pray. Each will pray privately to God in his own way.

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Greek Protestants Refused

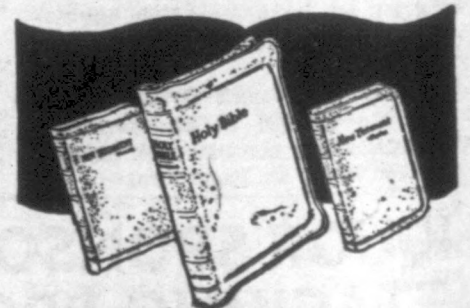
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propose to erect a religious building. The application for the Neos Myltopos church was signed by 63 heads of families in the area.

(Editors Note: Imagine Catholic churches in Mississippi being compelled to ask Baptists for permission to build a Catholic church building.)

Commenting on the Ministry's decision, Dr. G. Hadjiantoniou, moderator of the Greek Evangelical Church, said: "It is very sad that the Orthodox Church of Greece, which has received so many thousands of dollars from the Protestant churches of America, should reject this petition.

"Our whole church is stunned by this act of intolerance."



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Commission Sunday

For several weeks the Commission, monthly magazine of the Foreign Mission Board has been running a series of ads reminding our readers that Sunday, April 22 will be "Subscribe to THE COMMISSION Sunday."

May we commend this great mission magazine to our readers.

Space does not permit naming all the advantages of having it in the home but:

It gives the news from the mission fronts.

It helps to keep you up to date on the new mission fields—the Philippines, Korea, Formosa, China, South America, Thailand, Malaya, Indonesia, Rhodesia, Peru, Venezuela, Ecuador, Costa Rica, Guatemala, and Honduras.

THE COMMISSION brings the mission stations, their problems, their progress and their inspirations into the coziness of your living room. Can you afford to ignore this side of your Christian growth? Christ's charge to all of us did not end with Jerusalem or even Judea, but extended to "the uttermost parts of the world."

Write the Commission, P. O. Box 5148, Richmond, Va., requesting special subscription blanks and pamphlets explaining subscription plans. Also ask for a sample copy.

—BR—
A Good Idea For Baptists, Too

Both publicly and on the editorial page we have advocated correspondence courses. We are glad to have some company in this matter. Editor Jack Gritz of the Oklahoma Baptist Messenger recently advocated such courses. He said:

"In several national magazines during recent weeks we have read advertisements placed there by the

Knights of Columbus inviting us to make inquiry by mail concerning the true teachings of the Roman Catholic Church and offering us a correspondence course in Catholic beliefs. So far we have been able to withstand responding to the invitation. But we think the Vatican's propagandists have hit on a capital idea.

"Teaching the truth of salvation by personal faith in Christ without mediator and other soundly Biblical doctrinal truths by correspondence courses to curious and interested inquirers might will be a function of some Baptist agency or institution. We are not sure just which one. But we are sure this is in too good an idea to remain the exclusive property of the Vatican's dogmatists to be used to lead the unsuspecting into the errors of Romanism.

"Why not a Bible Correspondence Course for Seekers of Truth prepared and distributed by Baptists?"

—BR—
Figures Challenged

We doubt the accuracy of the following statement which is quoted from the Washington Religious Review:

"There are more Methodists in the United States than members of any other Protestant denomination, with that church having 8,900,000 according to the United States Bureau of Census."

Although Baptists usually deny that they are Protestants, the Government lists them as Protestants and therefore the reference in the above quotation is to Baptists when the term "any other Protestant denomination" is used.

Counting all of the Baptists in the United States, there are more than 12 million. This includes Northern Baptists, Southern Baptists, the National Baptist Convention (Negro), the National Baptist Convention, Inc. (Negro), and several smaller groups of Baptists.

Where the census bureau errs is in the fact they consider the

Northern Baptists as one denomination, the Southern Baptists as another, etc.; whereas, they list all of the Methodists of the United States, but count the Baptists by separate groups.

—BR—
Their Silence Makes Us Suspicious

We may be unduly suspicious, and the purpose of this editorial is not to accuse anybody of anything. Our only purpose is to set forth some facts, and let our readers judge for themselves.

In December we received a pamphlet from the Russian Bible Society, Washington, D. C., soliciting gifts which we understood were to be used in sending Bibles to Russia. Having heard that this was not permitted, we wrote the following letter:

"I have your pamphlet urging gifts to enable you to send Bibles to Russia.

"I believe in sending Bibles to Russia or to any other place where they are needed. However, I have heard that it is impossible to send Bibles into Russia. If you will clear this matter up for me, I shall be in a position to consider your appeal.

"Yours truly,
"A. L. GOODRICH"

That letter was mailed on January 30. At this writing no reply has been received. You may form your own conclusion.

—BR—
A Rank Decision

A novel application of the constitutional principals relating to separation of church and State has shown up in the decision of J. D. Bond, an examiner for the Federal Communications Commission, who rejected the application for a license to operate a radio station by the reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. The examiner rules that he should not grant the application, since the station was to be used solely for the promotion of

a sectarian organization.

Many legal observers are bewildered at the examiner's decision. If this decision stands, the government could go farther and deny a preacher the right to preach unless he preached only generally and refrained from propagating the doctrines of his denomination.

We are not here making a plea for the doctrines of the above mentioned group. But we do believe in freedom of conscience and regardless of their beliefs, they are entitled to the freedom of the air. The Lord knows that any doctrine that they propagate could not be worse than some of the stuff that we hear by various people over the radio.

—BR—
Our Readers Write

A "LIGHT-FOOT" BAPTIST
To The Editor:

I have often wondered what kind of a Baptist President Truman is. Now I know.

One of the White House correspondents asked the Chief Executive when he interrupted his Yule holiday in native Missouri to attend the dedication of the Grandview (Mo.) Baptist Church.

He replied, "A light-foot Baptist, I guess."

"I know what a hard-shell Baptist is and a soft-shell but I never heard of a light-foot" said the reporter.

Then the president obliged with his succinct contribution to theological nomenclature: "A light-foot Baptist is a Baptist who can dance, play the piano and drink burbon and branch water."

G. C. OASSOWAY
Washington, D. C.

Comment: The above appeared in the "United Evangelical Action."

Dear Dr. Goodrich:

One of the things that I like about the Baptist Record is its informative value. It warms my heart to read the many items about persons and events. It is a 20th Century edition of the Acts of the Apostles.

Trussville, Ala.
December 18, 1950

Dr. R. G. Lee, President
Southern Baptist Convention.
Dear Dr. Lee:

I am wondering if you would write every Baptist paper in our Southern Baptist Convention, and ask them to write a letter to their readers, and ask each reader to write their Congressman and Mr. Harry S. Truman, President, and ask him in this dark hour to close up our whiskey and beer distilleries and use these men in our war effort. He stated in his talk to the nation last week every man and woman was needed in this effort. Let us demand a clean up at home. How can we ask God to bless our nation when we are doing the very thing he commands us not to do? We must not be so foolish as to think God will bless and lead us to victory with all this sin in our lives. Millions are being spent for whiskey. When we need this in our war preparedness program. Why restrict car, refrigerator, and other necessary things and allow this whiskey business to flourish at an all time high? We are calling on the farmers for greater farm production. Yet using millions of bushels of wheat and corn in the manufacturing of whiskey to ruin our nation. It just doesn't make common sense.

If you would do this, it will help to
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GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

LOUISE IS IN

A long-time friend of the Baptist Record is Rev. A. E. Lucas, pastor at Louise. Recently he became concerned about the Louise Church not having the Baptist Record and arranged for the Record to be sent on trial for a few weeks.

After the people became familiar with the Record, they voted to make it a part of their program and now they are all friends of the Record. A list was sent by Mrs. R. L. Walker, treasurer, with instructions to send the bill to her.

Record readers in Humphreys County are now listed as follows: BEULAH, 20; BELZONI, 200; ISOLA, 32; LOUISE, 13; SILVER CITY, 24; GOODEN LAKE, 10; WILD WOOD, 15; CALVARY, 34.

PLEASANT VALLEY

Due to local conditions, Pleasant Valley, Simpson County, held their Crusade revival the week of March 18. A. L. Goodrich, editor of the Baptist Record, was the evangelist. Rev. B. E. Craft is the pastor. There were 11 additions.

Evidently the people liked the preaching for Editor Goodrich was invited to return for the summer revival.

There was much prayer and personal work which accounted for the number of additions and for the large crowd that attended all services.

Pastor Craft has been called to Weathersby and will serve these two churches half-time each. He will live in the parsonage at Weathersby, which is nearby. People speak highly of their pastor and are following his leadership in an excellent way.

Record readers in Simpson County are now listed as follows: ANTIOCH, 15; Athens, 1; BEULAH, 62; BRAXTON, 47; COATS, 12; D'Lo, 3; FORK (BETHLEHEM), 49; GOODWATER, 23; HARRISVILLE, 41; JUPITER, 24; MACEDONIA, 59; MAGEE, 239; MENDENHALL, 114; NEW HOPE, 40; OAK GROVE, 63; PINE GROVE, 36; PINOLA, 55; PLEASANT HILL, 66; Pleasant Valley, 5; SHIVERS, 31; SILOAM, 30; STONEWALL, 31; STRONG RIVER, 35; New Bethlehem, 1; HOLLY GROVE, 31; SARATOGA, 19.

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"...Too Much Sand..."

One of Louisville's most beautiful sanctuaries has long been noted for its wide expanse of concrete steps and its massive stone columns. But a few months ago the steps that had welcomed a stream of worshippers over a period of forty years began to crack and crumble.

What had lent grace and dignity to the church and had served a most essential purpose became an eyesore and a threat to the safety of all who came near.

As the task of tearing away and replacing the defective steps got under way, I asked a building contractor standing by how he accounted for the deterioration.

"Just one thing is responsible," he replied. "Too much sand and not enough cement!"

Too much sand and not enough cement! Is not this the diagnosis for many a sick and weary soul today? Too much sand of the secular and not enough cement of the spiritual!

—ERWIN L. McDONALD

"Quench Not The Spirit—Prove All Things"

By THERON D. PRICE

Assistant Professor of Church History
in THE TIE

"Quench not the Spirit; despise not prophesyings; prove all things; hold fast to that which is good." (I Thes. 5:19-21).

A happily balanced exhortation is Paul's to the Thessalonians, in the words of the text: "Quench not the Spirit—Prove all things." These things are as significant and fruitful together as they are fruitless and disastrous apart.

Some of us are prone to heed only the first word: "Quench not the Spirit." We believe in the free and unattached ministry of the Holy Spirit, who moves where He listeth. But we are a bit skittish about "proving all things," or fear an element of sacrilege in "test in the spirits." Consequently, we come to major devotional piety. And what a wonderful thing is devotional piety! It can create within us a holy dissatisfaction with our sin—with our ill-focused interests and divided loyalties—with our deplorable coldness toward God and his burning truth.

But what a fearful thing is mere devotional piety. It frequently awakes a worshipper to no truth deeper than his own preverse imagination. Mere devotional piety has been the means for many a man of self-deception to consist in his serviceableness to man. And so in the name of God we engage in sacrilege. We minister with a faith loud-spoken. But we cease, in the last analysis, to be heralds of the Good News of what God has done and is doing through Jesus Christ. We have faith, of a sort, but not the freedom of knowledge.

Some Heed Second Word

Then, some of us are prone to heed only the second word: "Prove (test) all things." We believe in the competence and reliability of the rational process when carried on under normal conditions. We find it difficult to get excited over spiritual generalities—having much greater confidence in the things that are seen. We give no due reverence to the spiritual overtones of the Scriptures or theology which are to be investigated, and are sometimes even unmindful that the Spirit is there to be quenched.

Our intellectual industry and honesty may provide us with tools with which to work, but not give us incentive to pursue the work through the head of noontide. The critical mind by itself may have prepared us for interpreting spiritual realities to which we are no longer even sensitive. And so we come to minister with a faith softspoken because its authenticity is dubious: we might be able to subvert it ourselves with more time for reflection! And so we cease, in the last analysis, to be heralds of the Good News of what God has done and is doing through Jesus Christ.

We have failed in the proving of all things by holding onesidedly to the exhortation, "Prove all things," and by

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REV. CHESTER L. QUARLES

Our State Executive Secretary, Chester L. Quarles, is to speak on the subject, "My Church" Saturday morning at our State Retreat for BSU Officers to be held at Copiah-Lincoln Junior College, Wesson, April 20-21.

POTPOURRI

New Council Members are especially

losing the Spirit who Himself tests us by the deep things of God.

Test Ways of the Spirit

The two, equally important exhortations may be kept together in happy Biblical balance and pointed toward a goal. By all means let the ways of the Spirit be tested by cautious minds in critical earnestness; and let that proving mind recognize the freedom and authority of the true and unquenched Spirit, in order that we may "hold fast to that which is good."

Religious truth is defined not so much by the subjective sway of the Spirit nor by the objective criticism of the mind, so much as by the existential, ethical application of the truth by a whole life in which piety and intellect are harmonious and inseparable companions. We can surely take our stand on what the two sanction as good. We can seek the meanings and applications of the authoritative truth of revelation by the insights which they jointly afford.

The faith and the freedom should give us the boldness of an unshaken conviction. The imperfection and the contingency should give us the gentleness of a humble tentativeness.

"Quench not the Spirit; prove all things; hold fast to that which is good."

—BR—

"CHURCH MEMBERS HAVE CHOSEN the church above the world when they seek constantly to win others to Christ and then to church membership." —J. E. Lambdin, The Baptist Training Union Magazine.

urged to be present at Retreat. Deadline for registration fees (\$1 each) is April 17. Send to Mr. Stanley Thames, Co-Lin Jr. College, Wesson. Continue to pray for this important convocation. Miss Norma Jean John, beloved and very efficient BSU Sec'y for Jones Jr. these two years or so, is to become Mrs. Fred Williams on May 26. We shall greatly miss her, wish her and Fred God's best. Five unsaved reported from MSCW from which three students recently joined Columbus Church. Two Miss. State students recently joined Starkville Church. Sunflower Jr. reports average college Training Union attendance of 20, two students have applied for Ridgecrest staff. Elizabeth Dunnham is new BSU prexy for Perk. Ja. where one student recently made a profession of faith in Christ, one joined Perkinson Church, one made known decision for full-time Christian service. Southwest Jr. has recently organized a Greater Council, had a Training Union social, have manifest interest in Ridgecrest. Riley Munday, Miss. Southern's Sec., has recently been banquet speaker at Gulfport First; Emmanuel, Alexandria, La.; First, Columbia; Sunflower Jr. Augie Salter, State's Sec'y, recently led in study course at Delta State.

Our Readers Write

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wake-up our people. Lest we perish. May God bless you in your great work.
P. H. MABE, Missionary
St. Clair Coun. Baptist Association
Alabama.

Gatlinburg, Tenn.

Dear Dr. Goodrich:

Your paper is read and appreciated by me. You give Baptist news while it is news. I am sure the annual meeting of the Baptist editors was helpful and inspiring. These editors constitute one of our most constructive groups. You help all the Baptist causes. You are on the Watch Tower and sound the alarm when danger is near.

As far back as 1911 I was asked by my church in Murfreesboro, Tenn., to be chairman of the committee to raise money for the work of the church. I led them to include the Baptist and Reflector (Tenn.) in the budget. I had never heard of the state paper being paid for by the church. But I knew what the state paper had meant to me and I wanted its influence in all the homes of the church. Next to the Bible and the influence of a Christian home and my church, I own more to the Baptist papers than any other influence. Reading these papers has informed me, has inspired me, has deepened my convictions on the doctrines of the Bible.

I am incurably favorable to the Baptist papers and editors.

Please forgive me for writing at some length. It could be condensed into one sentence—I am for the Baptist papers and editors.

GEORGE J. BURNETT

Dear Editor:

I get no paper or magazine which affords me more interest and gives me more information than the Baptist Record. It helps me to keep up with what Baptists are doing. I like to be informed, and as you say, informed Baptists are better Baptists.

I hope by reading the Record that I am a better Baptist. Certainly I know better how to act upon anything that comes up, for I have usually read something about that very thing in the Record.

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H. D. BRUCE, President

Thursday, April 5, 1951

Church Citations To Be Granted During Farm, Home Week

STATE COLLEGE—The Mississippi Christian Community Fellowship has announced plans for recognition of churches for outstanding community service as a feature of Farm and Home Week to be held at Mississippi State College, July 16-20. Miss Shiela Nuttall of Yazoo City, deaconess of Mississippi conference doing rural work, is chairman of the Fellowship Committee on church recognition.

The committee said "recognition will be accorded churches irrespective of size and denomination, which render outstanding community services." This service may take the form of recreation sponsorship, beautification, co-operation with other community agencies such as Scouts, Red Cross, schools, improvement of religious financial and music programs, and so forth.

The public is urged to secure nomination blanks directly from the Division of Sociology and Rural Life, Box 866, State College.

All nominations should be made by June 15, according to Professor Dorris W. Rivers of the Division of Sociology and Rural Life at Mississippi State College.

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S'western Seminary To Admit Negroes

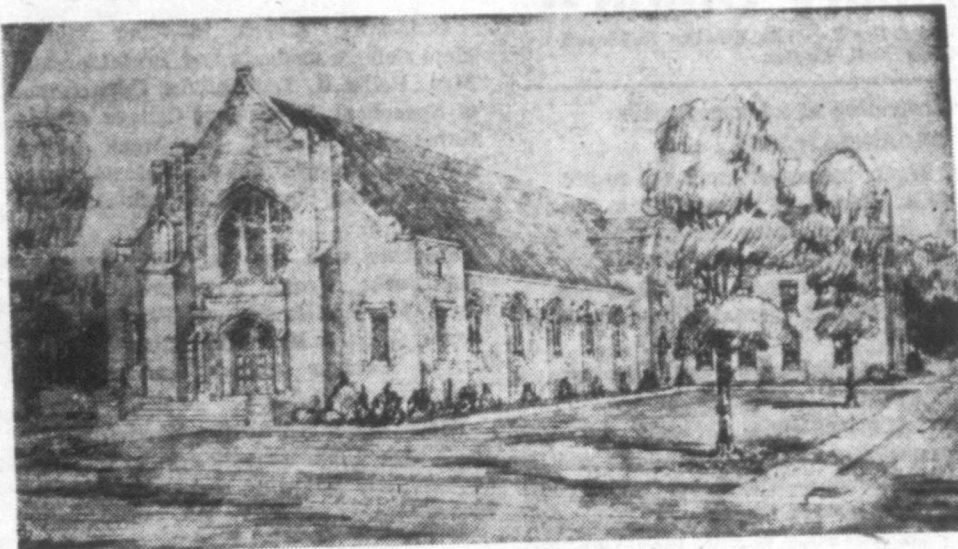
Negro students will be admitted to Southwestern Seminary this year for the first time.

This action was taken after full consideration of the faculty and trustees of the institution. It was followed by similar action at Southern Seminary and New Orleans Seminary, except that the New Orleans school will admit only students working on the Th. D. degree.

To enroll in Southwestern, a Negro must be a college graduate and must meet the same admission qualifications that other students are required to meet. They will attend classes on a non-segregated basis. No housing will be furnished on the campus.

Extension classes for Negroes, which have been conducted two nights a week, will be continued. Students who do not hold college degrees may enroll in these classes.

Charleston Occupies \$127,000 Structure



The new Charleston Church, a beautiful edifice evaluated at \$127,000, was opened for services Easter Sunday. The church was adorned with many floral arrangements, complimentary and in memorial. Over 400 people were present. The initial service was climaxed with a consecration service in which many rededicated their lives, one professed faith, and one revealed his call to the ministry.

During the three weeks preceding the Crusade revival there were five professions of faith, two sick-bed professions, and seven added by letters. Reverend Shirley Briggs, First Church of Tallulah, La., is leading in the Crusade revival.

A new record was made in Sunday School attendance with 339 present. People were turned away from both services.

The old building, built in 1906, was sold to the Saint Mark Baptist Church, a Negro congregation.

Conserve Results Of

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should be led into the full organized life of the church. Membership in the Sunday School, Training Union, Women's Missionary Union, Brotherhood and the choirs should not be lightly considered. If the new members are to be properly trained they must be reached by the organizations.

Every new member should be visited as soon as possible after the revival is over. Christ's claims in stewardship of money, time and talent should be presented urgently and lovingly. Every Baptist should be a thither and every Baptist should be a soul-winner.

The follow through—the conservation program—is just as important as the preparation. Without either or both the revival would not be completely successful. Because of our opportunity these days just ahead are significant days.

REPORTS

The associational chairmen of evangelism and the organizers should seek to get complete reports from each church as soon as possible. The associational leaders need to have reports. The state workers desire a copy of each of the reports in order that we might sum them up and report to our Baptist people generally.

Would you like to know the full report of our state? Then help us get a full report from each church in your association. As soon as we can compile the reports we will publish the results.

The First Baptist Church, Meridian, Miss., is being demolished and we have FOR SALE 36 leaded stain glass windows, some square, some round, 2½x7½ feet approximate size. A few of these windows would add grace and dignity to any church. Price \$10.00 each. These must be moved at once. Contact Mrs. Walden, phone 3-3365.

Russia's Suppression of

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are filled with uneasiness, a deep unrest."

Christians, Jews, Moslems, all faiths behind the Iron Curtain have felt the heavy hand of religious suppression. This suppression only provokes increased resistance, the observer reports and "As this resistance rises, a new and desperate attempt is being made by the Communist leadership to undermine the age-old religious beliefs and faiths of the captive peoples. They realize that these subject populations persistently believe that there is a god, and will not accept the Communist line that there is no god."

Anti-religious propaganda such as that published in a Soviet newspaper on June 16, 1949, does not ease the tension: "The Bolshevik Party cannot be neutral in regard to religion. The Party has never concealed its negative attitude toward religious beliefs and prejudices."

"And harping on the familiar theme," Mr. Stassen quotes Radio Moscow of June 11, 1948, "There is no place or job for god in the universe."

"But this renewed attack upon the religion has deepened their resistance to the Soviet rulers and increased their faith to the point of martyrdom."

Among the goals that would be set for the dominated people, Mr. Stassen believes should be the granting to all the people the right to worship God as they choose; the re-establishment of national sovereignty for 12 of the large Soviet captive countries; the release of millions of political prisoners; the establishment of a free, democratic and united Germany, under a representative government that will guarantee human rights for all people, East and West.

It is his belief that "Such a program, properly carried on, not only would be added assurance that the Soviet Union will not become an effective machine for aggressive world war, but it would also hasten the day when Communist dictatorship will collapse."

If such a course of positive action is followed, Mr. Stassen believes that hope may be held out for the collapse of the Communist dictatorship and their ruthless and godless systems."

JASPER VICTORY RALLY TO MEET AT BAY SPRINGS

Bay Springs Church was host to the 18 churches of the Jasper Association for a Victory Rally on Sunday afternoon, April 1.

The Bay Springs Church postponed its revival during the crusade until April 15-22, due to the illness of the pastor, Dr. A. L. Gatewood.

Much progress is being made under his leadership. On March 25, 82% of the Sunday School enrolment was present.

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Porter Has 20th Anniversary

On March 25 the Georgetown Church not only had an Easter service and began its Crusade revival, but celebrated the 20th anniversary of Rev. R. W. Porter in the ministry.

At the morning service a pulpit bouquet was presented by the Fidelis Class. Henry Armstrong, Sunday School superintendent, gave a resume of Mr. Porter's service. Entering the center aisle of the church, Little Miss Pam Steen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Steen and Master Donald Steen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Steen, presented Easter baskets to Mr. and Mrs. Porter which contained a corsage of talisman roses for Mrs. Porter and a matching boutonniere for the pastor.

Rev. W. W. Hamilton, chaplain of the Baptist Hospital in New Orleans is the visiting evangelist for the crusade.

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April 28 Is TUD At Clarke College

On Saturday, April 28, 1951, Clarke College will again observe Training Union Day. Again it is "T. U. D. at C. M. C."

This year the program will begin at 9 o'clock in the morning and close out late in the afternoon.

In the morning part of the day there will be softball contests from 9 to 11. From 11 to 12:30 there will be held in the auditorium, musical numbers of every description, from solos to the college choir. Invitations are being extended to churches throughout this area to bring their ensembles.

The next item will be barbecued chicken and cold sassafras tea! In the afternoon there will be more softball contests.

Training Unions from the following counties were invited to participate last year: Newton, Lauderdale, Neshoba, Leake, Attala, Scott, Smith, Jasper, and Rankin. The invitation is repeated this year, and there will probably be teams from other churches outside this area.

50, 40 & 25 Years Ago

By REV. J. L. BOYD, SR.

50 Years Ago

The Calvary (Now Bowmar Avenue) Church of Vicksburg moved into their new building with great rejoicing, writes Pastor C. C. Pugh. Cost of building and furnishing, \$6,000.

40 Years Ago

The Wiggins Church closed a very successful revival meeting, resulting in 13 accessions. Rev. L. G. Gates of Laurel assisted Pastor H. C. Joiner.

25 Years Ago

The Central (Coldwater) Church are making plans to build a brick bungalow pastor's home to take the place of the one recently burned. They have called Rev. Judson F. Chastain who is finishing his work at the Seminary at Louisville, Ky.

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MRS. WILMA B. SLEDGE

Mrs. Wilma B. Sledge served faithfully and efficiently as President of Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union for five years. She has led in an aggressive and progressive program of missionary education and effort. As one of the Vice-Presidents of Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary S.B.C. she has served in many capacities: on the Board of Managers, member of the Building Committee, Chairman of the Personnel Committee and Chairman of the Vice-Presidents group.

The record of the five years reveals growth in many areas—the following

is indicative of advances made:

ORGANIZATIONS:

W. M. S. increased from 693 to 826
Y.W.A. increased from 190 to 236
G.A. increased from 477 to 780
R.A. increased from 301 to 451
Sunbeams increased from 359 to 520
GRAND TOTAL increased from 2,020 to 2,813

OBSERVANCES OF SEASONS OF PRAYER

State Missions—W.M.S. observing increased from 544 to 727
Home Missions—W.M.S. observing increased from 534 to 706
Foreign Missions—W.M.S. observing increased from 565 to 776

WEEKS OF PRAYER GIFTS

State Missions increased from \$17,500.00 to \$36,609.07. Total for the five years \$151,193.67
Home Missions increased from \$30,518.13 to \$46,131.11. Total for the five years 203,806.01
Foreign Missions increased from \$52,450.68 to \$85,017.21
Total for the five years 360,696.68

GRAND TOTAL \$715,696.36
Camp Garaywa Building Fund 133,014.58
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Activities begun during these five years:
Officers Clinic
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- GLIMPSES OF GARAYWA -

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MISS NETTIE REE TRAYLOR

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The niece of the former W.M.U. Executive Secretary, Miss Fannie Traylor, "Miss Net" has been connected with the W.M.U. Department for more than 20 years. She has served faithfully and efficiently in each capacity; she is now the Executive Assistant in the W.M.U. Office in Jackson.

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NINE MC STUDENTS ENTER SOU. DEBATE CONTESTS

CLINTON, March 28—Nine Mississippi College students and Professor and Mrs. Hollis B. Todd of the Department of Speech at Mississippi College are in Gainesville, Florida, this week where the students will be in contests sponsored by the Southern Speech Association.

Students who are to enter the contests are: Frank Crawford, Ferrell Cork, Martha Howington, Frances Ann Boyte, Martha Maxwell, Betty Jo Rasberry, Carlene Brooks and James Dukes.

These students will also participate in the Youth Congress which is to be held immediately following the Debate Tournament.

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Baptists Asked To Help End Bingo

CLEVELAND—(RNS)—An appeal to the 55,000 Baptists of Greater Cleveland to help wipe out bingo and all other forms of public gambling was made here in a resolution passed by the Cleveland Baptist Association.

The resolution held that bingo had passed completely out of the realm of charity and had been taken over by professional gamblers and made an "unquestioned racket."

Trustees of the association said they intended to circularize all Baptist churches here with the anti-gambling plea.

—BR—

POAU Chapter Formed in Pittsburgh

PITTSBURGH, Pa.—(RNS)—Formation of a Pittsburgh chapter of Protestants and Other Americans United for the Separation of Church and State took place at a mass-meeting attended by 3,000 persons here.

Speakers told the audience that "all Americans who are devoted to the principles of Madison and Jefferson must stand together in this grave hour to defend the religious liberty guarantee of the First Amendment—for it is today being undermined in numerous ways."

Dr. Glen Archer, Washington, D. C., executive director of the national organization, sounded the keynote.

He criticized the "hierarchy of the Roman Catholic Church in Rome and the United States" for what he said were their efforts to obtain public funds for educational purposes.

"Of the 257 different Churches in this country, only one is seeking public funds for support of its sectarian teachings—that is the Roman Catholic Church," he said.

He further charged that in "more than 30 states communities are disrupted by the fact that Catholic-controlled local boards are diverting tax-free public funds to the Roman Church."

"If a Church is worth its salt, it is worth being voluntarily supported by people who give it allegiance," he said. "I never want to see the day when 257 Churches came to Washington and begin fussing over how the tax dollar is divided."

—BR—

"THE CHRISTIAN TEACHER NEEDS to know his lesson, but he needs even more to know Christ. Then, in the course of presenting his material about the Christian life, his own friendship with Christ will stand revealed, and his enthusiasm and faith will overflow into the lives of others." —Clarence W. Cranford, The Teacher.

Tour Of Alaska To Be Made At Close Of S. B. Convention

DALLAS, March 31—Messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention in San Francisco next June will have a chance to make a tour of Alaska following the convention. The announcement comes from Dr. R. Alton Reed, director of Radio and Public Relations for the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

At Dr. Reed's request, the Alaska Steamship Co. has offered accommodations for Baptists who want to make the 12-day Alaskan trip. Reservations must be made with Dr. Reed, 603 Baptist Bldg., Dallas, by April 25.

The convention will meet June 19-24, with the tour leaving Seattle, Wash., June 27. Rates on accommodations will range from \$198.00 to \$340.00 plus tax per person.

—BR—

MISS ORA LEWIS

In January, 1951, the beloved spirit of Miss Ora Lewis left this earth to be at home with God. Miss Ora was the daughter of the late B. F. and Amanda Fox Lewis, prominent families of this state. She united with the church at a young age and always lived a devoted and consistent member.

"Miss Ora" as she was lovingly known to both young and old was also devoted to education and attended college at Blue Mountain and M.S.C.W., then I. I. & C., after which she taught the remainder of her life in the public schools of this state. Thousands of children have come under the influence of her teaching, and eternity only will reveal the great work she did in helping to mold their lives to be better boys and girls and men and women.

Always happy in the work of her Master, she was ready to assist in any phase of activity of her church; in Sunday School, W.M.U. and B.T.U. She was always present to serve, and in an efficient way; a faithful steward in her talents, time and gifts, her influence will live on and on, and even though there is a vacancy in our hearts and a place in our church life that no one can fill, yet we feel that Miss Ora was willing and ready to go on.

And may we, as members of Neshoba Baptist Church, carry on with the zeal and indomitable spirit that she manifested for her Lord and Saviour, and we bow in humble and mission to His will when he called her on that morning and said, "It is enough. Enter thou into the joys of thy Lord."

Committee:

MRS. BIDDIE BAKER

MRS. ETHEL McNAIR

MRS. W. J. VANCE

—BR—

Portland Southern Baptists Acquire Downtown Location

PORTLAND, Oregon —(BP)—The First Southern Baptist Church of Portland, Oregon, is now housed in a downtown building erected in 1882. They recently purchased it from the Evangelical Baptists who had acquired it in 1948 from the original owners, a group of Presbyterians. H. C. Price is the pastor.

In addition to services in their new location the Southern Baptist congregation conducts three missions, one at the former church in West Portland, another at Parkrose, and the third in East Portland. All three centers conduct full-time services.

Headquarters for all Southern Baptists in Oregon and Washington is located in the East Side mission, but will move as soon as space can be provided in the downtown church.

A Baptist Book Store is expected to be opened in the downtown church sometime this spring.

Thursday, April 5, 1951

BROTHERHOOD ASSEMBLY AT CAMP GARAYWA

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Our first Mississippi Brotherhood Assembly will be held at Camp Garaywa July 23-27, in connection with the Pastor's conference.

The first meal will be Monday night, the last Friday noon.

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The program will include recreation; inspiration; conference on subjects like recreation, music, visual aids, workshop hour, Bible study.

Good music will have its place on the program.

The rate for the full assembly, Monday supper through Friday noon, will be \$11.00. Each person will bring sheets, pillow cases, towels, soap, and other toilet articles.

A reservation deposit of \$1.00 per person will be required. This should be in right away. It will be a part of the \$11.00, leaving \$10.00 balance for the assembly week. If you should find later that you cannot attend the assembly, cancellation can be made as late as July 15 and your reservation fee will be returned to you. Send deposit to the Brotherhood Department, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi.

If you plan to go to Ridgecrest, come to Garaywa first. If you can't go to Ridgecrest, come to Garaywa (pronounced Gay Ray Way) anyway! ! !

We have room for only 100 laymen, so don't miss the train by being late! ! !

The first 100 will be accepted. We MUST know how many men to expect.

There will be two conference periods each day, one from 9:10 to 10:30 each morning and another from 3:00 to 4:30 each afternoon.

THE BIG NIGHT, Thursday night, will be Brotherhood night at the Pastors and Laymen assembly. We shall expect to cover the hill up with men for that evening.

Where is Garaywa? ? ? Travel

Highway 80 to Clinton, Mississippi. About 1/4 mile west of Clinton turn south on gravel road. Drive about 3/4 mile and turn left. There is a sign at each of these turns.

BAPTIST LAYMEN TO UNDERGIRD EVANGELISTIC CRUSADE

Never before in the history of Baptist have laymen so wholeheartedly supported any movement as they are the great Evangelistic Crusade, March 25-April 8. We reported in this column last week the attendance at a number of the Laymen's Rallies and are following those with a number of others below. There is no better sign of interest than the attendance of one upon a meeting. Reports have come to us by the score from these Laymen's Rallies which indicate that the revival has already started. All of the reports are not in, but we do have the following attendance reports.

Lafayette 65; Panola 121; Perry 77; Scott 81; Pontotoc 50.

SPEAKERS AT GARAYWA

We are happy to announce that George Schroeder, Associate Secretary, Baptist Brotherhood, Memphis, and Dr. S. R. Woodson, Pastor Advisor, Baptist Brotherhood Convention will be with us for our Brotherhood week at Garaywa. Don't fail to make your reservation early.

SEMINARIES OFFER COURSES FOR NON-COLLEGE STUDENTS

By DR. DUKE K. McCALL

The future of Southern Baptists' witness for Christ is in large measure in the hands of the pastors. Wisely, Southern Baptists have insisted that the only way a man can become a minister is through the call of God. His economic, social, and educational background are all subordinate to the divine choice.

I was disturbed by reading in the publication of a Bible school that the Southern Baptist Convention is making no provision for the training of God-called men of limited academic attainments. It was in the midst of brooding over this serious charge against our denomination that I read the following significant statement.

Dr. Ray Summers, director of the School of Theology of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, announced that the American Association of Theological Schools no longer placed a black mark against the seminary because of its library facilities. He then added the following:

"The only remaining notation against the school is one stating that more than

10% of the student body do not have college degrees.

"We are not disturbed because of this notation," Dr. Summers explained, "for these non-college students are always welcome. We anticipate this notation indefinitely."

I like that spirit. It means the door to Southwestern Seminary is now and always will be open to God-called men of limited academic attainment. The same is true of the other four seminaries operated by the Southern Baptist Convention.

Now I feel better knowing that the Southern Baptist Convention is trying to make its training facilities available to all who desire to sharpen their abilities for the service of God.

Extension courses are already in existence and others are planned whereby our colleges and seminaries go to the man who needs them when he cannot go to the city where the educational institution is located. We Southern Baptists are doing much for these men of God and we expect to do a lot more.

—B.P.

Clarke GA's Have Coronation Service



YOUNG PEOPLE of Stonewall, Union Church, Shubuta, Enterprise and Quitman Churches took part in the Girls' Auxiliary Coronation Service which was held in the Quitman First Church on March 9. Miss Nell Taylor, State Young People's Leader for Woman's Missionary Union, directed the Service. Eighty-two young people took part in the service. Miss Gordy Hughes, Educational Director, Quitman, is Associational Young People's Leader for Clarke County.

Will Write New Textbook For Religious Journalism

SHAWNEE, Okla.—(BP)—William F. Tanner, assistant professor of journalism at Oklahoma Baptist University, is head of a 12-man committee to write a textbook for courses in religious journalism.

The text, believed to be the first of its kind in the country, is being sponsored by the Radio and Public Relations Department of the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

The outline of the new book will follow largely the notes which Tanner is using in the beginning religious journalism courses at OBU.

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Druggist's Store Is Mission Field

PASADENA, Tex.—(RNS)—Jack Parks, owner and manager of the Capital Drug Store here is a druggist whose business is his mission field.

He opened his store several years ago with a dedicatory service. A woman employee professed faith in Christ and became reconciled to her estranged husband the same day. The druggist gave them advice from the Bible on how to make a happy home.

Mr. Parks closes his drug store on Sunday. He devotes profits from the business to religious causes and lives on an income received from a nearby paper mill where he is employed as maintenance contractor.

Bank checks issued by the drug store bear a scripture quotation. Saturday night pay checks given to employees are likely to bear the quotation, "For by grace are ye saved, through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works lest any man should boast."

Mr. Parks, formerly an alcoholic and a wanderer, says he had a miraculous experience of conversion in the boxcar of a freight train, where the unceasing prayers of a Christian mother caught up with him. He is trying to salvage the wasted years of his life by making Christ known to others.

GERMAN YOUTH NEED ATTENTION

NORMAN, Okla.—(BP)—"The youth of Germany is probably the most pitiful lot of people in Germany today, even in comparison with the many refugees," according to Dr. Johannes Malthaner, a professor in the University of Oklahoma here. Dr. Malthaner, who is also an ordained Baptist minister, reared and educated in Germany, has recently returned from a tour of his native land.

He also says, "There are more than 500,000 young people between the ages of 15 and 25 in Western Germany alone who are unemployed. What is even worse they are without any family connection. They live massed in barracks. Forty thousand of them move as vagabonds from town to town ready to steal or rob. It is a very pitiful situation. Our German Baptist churches try to help. The churches have small camps where they invite these young people for two-week retreats. The churches give the youth for the first time perhaps in their lives real sound Christian teaching, and the fellowship of other young people who are Christians."

"You can well understand how disillusioned, bitter, skeptical, and even

distrustful those young men and women are who for ten years and more were under the constant indoctrination of the Nazis and then saw the terrible breakdown of their country, the defaulting of their leader. These young people are in a great danger for Germany and the world for they are without morals and high principles. They are ready to follow another unscrupulous leader."

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Pearl City (Rankin Co.)	85	57
Jackson, Calvary	1,444	361
Calvary Mission	23	32
Van Winkle	554	260
First	1,430	536
Southside	461	124
Crestwood	802	429
Parkway	886	348
Byram	176	129
Daniel Memorial	483	192
Northside	693	170
Broadmoor	134	62
Winona, First	464	114
Crystal Springs	794	210
Pascagoula, First	1,294	520
Main School	955	366
Eastlawn Mission	112	47
Unity Mission	104	72
Orange Grove Mission	55	37
McArthur Mission	22	
Jackson Avenue Mission	46	
Enon (Panola County)	89	96
Harmony (Jones County)	164	73
West Laurel	652	160
Second Avenue, Laurel	510	115
Friendship (Lincoln Co.)	85	75
Brookhaven, First		
Main School	1,102	455
Hamilton Street	148	85
Central	177	82
Fair River (Lincoln Co.)	114	83
Mt. Zion (Lincoln Co.)	108	59
Moak's Creek (Lincoln Co.)	281	117
Corinth, Tate Street	544	128
Laurel, Highland	132	78
Antioch (Neshoba County)	100	65
Salem (Lauderdale County)	61	52
Gulfport, First	1,186	282
Clarksdale	816	178
Greenwood (Pike County)	64	47
Calvary (Amite County)	86	83
East Moss Point	286	106
South McComb	255	97
Friendship (Pike Co.)	255	120
Louisville, First	462	169
Bethlehem (Jones County)	130	119
Bogue Chitto (Pike Co.)	101	101
Brookhaven, Pearlhaven	222	116
Houlka	116	36
Sharon (Jones County)	211	174
Sand Hill (Jones County)	65	43
Grenada, First	774	116
Bunker Hill	325	197
Rocky Creek (George Co.)	219	135
New Hope (Marion County)	177	128
Lucedale, First	467	164
Big Creek	176	80
Pilgrim's Rest (Copiah Co.)	71	61
Sunday School	422	118
Calhoun City, First	484	158
Laurel, First	625	178
Columbus, First	919	261
Hattiesburg, Main Street	1,138	370
Springfield (Scott County)	132	85
East McComb	648	307
Greenville, Second	446	218
Meridian, First	1,006	222
Fifteenth Avenue	562	117
Fifteenth Avenue Chapel	43	17
Highland	543	205
Forty-First Avenue	472	124
South Side	443	188
Poplar Springs	442	137
Poplar Springs Mission	43	45
Eighth Avenue	359	98
Oakland Heights	287	95
Key Field	132	36
Oak Grove	130	70

March 25, 1951		
Antioch (Neshoba County)	34	52
Calvary (Amite County)	79	85
Corinth, Tate Street	422	126
Union (Alcorn County)	74	72
Hattiesburg, Main Street	967	265

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REV. ROY GORDON, SHREVEPORT, La., did the preaching in the Enon revival in which there were 18 additions. Maurice Ellis led the singing and Barbara Ann White was the pianist.

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THE THREE HONORARY DEGREES

awarded by Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, June 4 will be given to Rev. Marion E. Ramay, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Edmond, Okla., Porter Routh, director of survey and statistics of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board and recording secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention, Nashville, Tenn., and Dr. Henry G. Bennett, president of Oklahoma A. M. College, Stillwater.

THE APRIL ISSUE OF THE SUNDAY School Builder has a helpful article concerning Intermediate possibilities. The title is WHAT POSSIBILITIES and the author is Eleanor Wheeler, Intermediate Superintendent, First Church, Biloxi, Mississippi.

A SCENE SHOWING CHRISTIAN lifeguards and counselors at work with boy campers at Camp Garaywa is shown in the April issue of the Baptist Student.

BLUE MOUNTAIN—DR. WILFRED C. Tyler, head of Blue Mountain College's Bible Department, and party of seven students have returned from a tour made during the spring holidays. The tour included points in Tennessee, Arkansas, Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi. Student who were in the party are: Eloise Ellis, West Point; Yvette Shirley, Forest; Carol Phelps, Louisville, Ky.; Nancy Turner, Mabon; Jeanette Collier, Kewanee; Barbara Baum, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; and Bobbie Jean Jones, Barton, Ark.

PASTOR CECIL S. WARD OF NORWOOD Church, Birmingham, Alabama reports revival led by Warren Walker, March 4-18. There were 102 additions to Norwood church.

THE YOUTH COMMITTEE OF THE Baptist World Alliance is sponsoring two work camps for Baptist young people in Germany during July and August. One project will be to work on the Baptist seminary in Hamburg, the other will be to build a chapel in Southern Germany for a refugee church. Young people interested in the project are asked to write Hans Arndt, Rennbahnstrasse 115, Hamburg 34, Germany.

THE BAPTIST RECORD HAS RECEIVED a copy of the minutes of the Alcorn County Association, which rank among the best. The quality of material used is excellent, the printing superb, and the make-up is equally attractive. Rev. Earl Warford is the moderator and Levi Ayers is the clerk.

THE ZONDERMAN PUBLISHING House of Grand Rapids, Michigan, announces a contest to secure material to be incorporated in a new publication to be entitled GAMES FOR JUNIOR BOYS AND GIRLS. Five dollars will be awarded for each game which is accepted for this publication. All games submitted must be original or be in the public domain and should be geared to children from six to 12 years of age. The games must be submitted in typewritten form, double spaced, on one side of an 8½ x 11 inch sheet of paper. Submissions must be received by August 31, 1951.

CLINTON, MISS., MARCH 27—DR. A. E. Wood, Mayor of Clinton and Professor of Chemistry at Mississippi College, has been requested to serve as Chief of Chemical Defense Section Mississippi Civilian Defense Council. The committee will be primarily concerned with planning on a statewide level for special protective measures designed to minimize hazards incident to chemical warfare.

BLUE MOUNTAIN, MARCH 26—DR. William A. Hoppe, director of the department of music at Blue Mountain College, has been appointed chairman of the committee on STANDARDIZATION OF MEASUREMENTS OF STRINGED INSTRUMENTS, a sub-committee of the Music Educators National Conference String Committee, which meets in Richmond, Virginia, April 18-23.

"THERE ARE 350 TRIBES IN AFRICA still to be reached. In South America there are 300 tribes. There are 100 tribes in India, with another 75 in Siberia. Then in China, French Indo-China, and the Philippine Islands there are about 175 tribes, maybe more. These 1,000 unevangelized tribes constitute a call of human need. They are still waiting in darkness, "without God and without hope," for the gospel of Jesus Christ."—Forrest C. Feezor, The Teacher.

THE 1950 HANDBOOK WILL SHOW that the average salary paid the pastors of the 15,074 churches with full-time services in the S. B. C. was \$2,223. This compares with \$2,199 in 1949. The average salary paid by the church with services twice a month was \$510, and the quarter-time, \$225.

STUDENTS AND FACULTY OF THE New Orleans Seminary filled the pews and had to bring in chairs as they crowded the chapel March 21, 22, to hear Dr. Arnold T. Ohn in the Layne Lectures. Dr. Ohn, a native of Norway, is the General Secretary of the Baptist World Alliance. The Layne Lectures were provided in 1924 by a gift from Mrs. Robert Layne of Shreveport, La.

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DR. WILLIAM LINDSEY WALLACE, medical missionary, died in Wuchow, China, February 10. He was buried in the Christian cemetery February 12. Details as to the cause of his death are still unavailable.

OZARK, ALA. —(RNS)— CLERGY-men of all congregations in the area of Camp Rucker are cooperating with the camp's Army chaplains in pushing a campaign against "hasty war marriages." Purpose of the campaign is to prevent the postwar divorce rate that followed World War II. The campaign is being carried out through a series of conferences at local churches to which all newly-married couples and young people contemplating marriage are invited.

HUBER L. DRUMWRIGHT, JR., will become instructor in New Testament at Southwestern in June. Announcement of his appointment was made this week by Dr. Ray Summers, director of the School of Theology.

WINSLOW, ARIZ.—(BP)—TWO WINSLOW, Arizona, Baptist churches have joined forces under the leadership of Gerald A. Hall as pastor. They are the First Baptist Church and the First Southern Baptist Church. The new congregation will be known as the First Baptist Church and will co-operate with the Southern Baptist Convention.

SOUTHERN BAPTISTS' PER CAPITA gift for all causes was \$27.86, as compared with \$32.69 for American Baptists.

DAVID E. GUYTON, PROFESSOR OF social science, Blue Mountain College, was the principal speaker at the Layman's Evangelistic Revival Thursday night at the First Church, Indianola, of which Rev. David Crawford is pastor.

BLUE MOUNTAIN—AN ARTICLE concerning Ruth Swann, native of Statesville, North Carolina, who graduated from Blue Mountain College in 1948 and is a medical missionary to Arabia, appears in the March number of Tie, publication of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

HERE I STAND (\$4.75) IS A 422 PAGE book which makes a splendid contribution to the understanding of the life of Martin Luther. The author, Roland Bainton, won a \$7,500 prize on this volume. Order from the publisher, Abingdon-Cokesburg Press, Nashville, or from the Baptist Book Store.

"THE ONLY FACTUAL OR SCIENTIFIC guarantee against alcoholism as a vice and disease and the only scientific guarantee against alcoholism as a cause of accidents and human misery is total abstinence. There is no way to discover an alcoholic until he is an alcoholic. There is no cure for alcoholism except total abstinence." —A. C. Ivy, The Baptist Training Union Magazine.

READ THE MAY ISSUE OF THE COMMISSION for Baker James Cauthen's analysis of the China situation in an article entitled "Christian Work in Communist China."

NEW YORK —(RNS)— AT LEAST one complete book of the Bible now exists in 1,034 of the world's languages and dialects, according to a report issued here by Miss Margaret Hills, librarian of the American Bible Society, SUMMER SCHOOL AT THE GOLDEN Gate Baptist Seminary at Berkeley will open May 22.

BLUE MOUNTAIN, APRIL 2—THE adult Bible drills in the April number of the Baptist Training Union Magazine were written by Frances Coltharp, of Cullman, Ala., the former Frances Jeffers, a graduate of Blue Mountain College.

AMONG RECENT VISITORS IN THE Baptist Building were: Rev. Howard McLemore, Clinton; S. C. Rushing; Ralph D. Churchill, Fort Worth, Texas; Rev. H. Grady Wilks, Greenwood; Rev. A. A. Greenleaf, Little Rock; Rev. and Mrs. John P. Vandercook, Paul and Charles, Anding; Dr. M. T. Rankin, Richmond, Va.; Rev. E. L. Howell, Throckmorton, Texas; Rev. A. A. Ward, Centerville; Jesse Clower, Gerald Clower, Crystal Springs; Rev. Theo T. James, McGehee, Arkansas; Rev. Benton E. Evans, Hazlehurst; Rev. Tom E. Carter, Sapulpa, Okla.; Rev. C. B. Hamlet, III, Winona.

REV. FREDDIE BRISTER IS preaching in a revival at Bogue Chitto Church (Pike County). Cottage prayer meetings and a study course preceded the meeting.

HARMONY CHURCH IN JONES County closed its meeting Sunday, April 1. There were 32 additions, 17 by baptism, and five rededications. All were adults but two. Rev. T. E. Fant did the preaching. The music was under the direction of Miss Peggy Schwann and T. U. Collins. Miss Doris Riles is the pianist.

CLINTON, MISS., MARCH 28—R. L. Lowndes, a British businessman and lecturer, has scheduled two speaking engagements in Clinton. On Monday evening, April 2, Mr. Lowndes will address the Clinton Kiwanis Club, and on Friday, April 6 at 7:30 p. m. he will speak before the Mississippi College International Relations Club. During the week he will also lecture at Mississippi Southern and Howard College.

REV. O. - A. GREENLEAF, LEVY Station, Little Rock, Arkansas, after 19 years as pastor has resigned to give his time to evangelistic work. He has worked with some of the leading evangelists of the country. He has some open dates during the spring and summer.

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WHAT IS A CHURCH CHOIR?

Used by permission are some statements listed below, which were taken from a recent bulletin of the Houston Church. Rev. Bill Watson, who was recently called as pastor, has led the church into a graded choir program.

QUOTATION FROM THE BULLETIN

Is it merely a group of people who sit up front on Sunday? A group of men and women or young people who know a "B" flat from a "C" sharp, and who "warble" sweetly through a few hymns on Sunday?

Nay, 'tis not so! If it were so, we would be better off without it. The Worship Service of the church includes the song service as well as the sermon. Both parts, and all people concerned must aim directly at winning the lost and inspiring Christians.

The church owes her prayerful support to those who sing in the choir or choirs. Their's is a mighty task for the Master, and a most important part of the church services.

The choir members who stand up to sing "Take Time to Be Holy" must first seek to be holy. We are not seeking merely to make a "joyful noise." One can do that at a football game. We make a "joyful noise unto the Lord." When we sing of grace, love, and salvation, we must know something of grace, love and salvation.

The preacher should preach for decisions, if it is Gospel preaching. The choir or choirs must sing for decisions, if it is Gospel singing.

The preacher is before the people, and so are the choir members. In the manner or conduct of neither must there ever be anything that will call attention from the message or the Christ.

Choir members are God's servants too. To be approved of Him they must strive to give their BEST!

NESHOPA HOLDS MUSIC RALLY

Mrs. E. S. Cole, director of Special Rallies for Neshoba County led in promoting a fine music rally at First Church, Philadelphia on Sunday afternoon, March 25. There were several pastors present, and the Coldwater Church furnished two special numbers, also, the First Church, Philadelphia Adult Choir rendered two anthems.

The special emphasis on the music for the Evangelistic Crusade was presented by W. C. Morgan, State Director. Plenty of good congregational singing was led by the various choir directors present.

IMPORTANT!!! PLEASE READ

The music mailing list is still incomplete. An all-out effort is being made to complete this list. Names of choir directors, song leaders, pianists, organists, and pastors of churches will be welcome. DOUBLE CARDS ARE BEING MAILED OUT. If you receive one of these cards, please fill out the attached card and mail it immediately.

The only way the church music leaders can receive materials, regularly from the State Music Department is to be on the mailing list. Your assistance is needed badly NOW.

DC Commissioner Nominee Draws Fire Of Churchmen

WASHINGTON, D. C. —(RNS)—Washington clergymen have opened a battle against Senate confirmation of F. Joseph Donohue, who has been nominated as a District of Columbia Commissioner by President Truman.

The nomination has been condemned by both the Washington Ministerial Union and the Washington Federation of Churches.

Dr. Edward B. Willingham, president of the ministerial union and pastor of National Memorial Baptist Church, presented to the Senate District of Columbia committee a petition signed by more than 100 clergymen protesting the nomination.

Three issues were raised by the ministers: (1) that the selection of a commissioner had been more undemocratic than usual in that Mr. Donohue's name had not appeared on any lists of prospective candidates submitted to the White House and Congress by civic leaders in Washington; (2) that Mr. Donohue in many years of residence in Washington has never taken part in civic affairs; and (3) that he has devoted his legal practice largely to representing the liquor industry.

(Editor's Note: We understand that this nomination is made to pay a political debt.)

The Rev. Frederick E. Reissig, executive secretary of the Washington Federation of Churches, told the committee that churchmen believe it unsound practice to place a man "who for many years has been an intimate associate of the liquor industry" in a position of control over the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board.

Leaders of national temperance organizations indicated that they, too, will take a hand in the dispute over Senate confirmation.

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100 MC Students And Faculty Lead in Crusade Revivals

CLINTON, March 29—The President, the Dean and several members of the Mississippi College faculty and more than one hundred students are conducting or helping in simultaneous revivals being sponsored by Southern Baptists east of the Mississippi River.

President D. M. Nelson is conducting a revival in Duncan, South Carolina. Dean Howard E. Spell is in his office each day and preaching at night at Anguilla. Dr. A. A. Klitchings is teaching his regular classes and conducting a revival at night at Tuscola. Professor E. L. Douglas is preaching at Rocky Hill near Magee in night services. Professor Hollis Todd is in the midst of a revival at Immanuel Church, Vicksburg. Rev. Nolan M. Kennedy of the Clinton Church, is in a meeting at Carrollton, Georgia. Dr. L. Bracey Campbell is doing the preaching in the revival at Senatobia. The meetings at Clinton has been postponed till April 15 because of examinations and spring holidays at Mississippi College.

More than 100 students are preaching, leading the music or helping in revivals during the revival period March 25 to April 8, in Mississippi, Alabama and Louisiana.

What is a GOOD SAMARITAN?

In an attempt to test Jesus and his teachings, an expert in the Law stood up and asked, "Master, what must I do to make sure of eternal life?" Jesus answered him by saying "Love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind, and they neighbor as thyself."

"But who is my neighbor?" the lawyer insisted.

Our Saviour's answer to that question was the story of the Good Samaritan and it is a classic in any language.

Jesus said, "A man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell among thieves, who stripped him and wounded him, leaving him half dead." As he lay there bleeding and unconscious a priest passed by, and for fear that a similar thing might happen

to him, he hurried away. A little later a Levite came that way and seeing the unconscious man, rushed on. But there came another traveler, a Samaritan. He stopped, lifted the injured man and carried him to the inn. He arranged for his board, room and medical attention and promised to pay for any additional expenses when he should

pass on his way back. Not until he had completed his act of mercy did he go on about his own affairs.

Then Jesus asked the lawyer, "Which now of these three, thinkest thou was neighbor unto him that fell among the thieves?" And he answered, "He that showed mercy unto him." Jesus then said, "Go and do thou likewise."

Thus a good Samaritan became the Christian symbol of an act of mercy for as long as the spirit of Christ is remembered.

The Mississippi Baptist Hospital receives requests for free hospital service from hundreds of needy Mississippians every year. Their calls for help can only be answered according to the degree of YOUR MERCY and COMPASSION expressed through the Mothers Day Offering Sunday, May 13th. WON'T YOU BE A GOOD SAMARITAN?



Mothers Day Is Hospital Day In Mississippi Baptist Churches

20 DISTRICT SUNDAY SCHOOL CONFERENCES ATTEND THE ONE MOST CONVENIENT

The workers in the state Sunday School Department are giving the full four weeks of April 16 to May 11 to making 20 district conferences over the state in the interest of our Sunday School and Vacation Bible School program for this year.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND? Pastors, general officers, department officers, class officers, teachers, Vacation

Bible School workers, associational officers, associational missionaries, and others.

THE PURPOSE? To study and plan together some of the aims and objectives of the year's work. There will be separate age-group conferences, general sessions, demonstrations, commitments, etc. Join us in prayer for their success, and be sure to attend the one most convenient.

LUNCH WILL BE SERVED BY THE HOST CHURCHES

--- The Program ---

- 9:40 Devotional
- 10:00 Age-Group Conferences
- 11:25 General Assembly
- 11:30 Making 1954 Greater
- 11:55 Announcements
- 12:00 Lunch
- 1:00 Devotional
- 1:15 Aims and Objectives
- 1:45 Training for Efficiency
- 2:15 Vacation Bible School, including open worship demonstration
- 3:00 What Say You?
- 3:20 Adjourn

— THE SCHEDULE —

Time	Place	Counties
Monday, April 16	Morton	Smith-Scott-Leake-Rankin
Tuesday, April 17	Heidelberg	Jasper-Clarke-Jones-Wayne
Wednesday, April 18	McLain	Perry-Greene-George
Thursday, April 19	Biloxi, First	Jackson-Harrison-Hancock-Stone
Friday, April 20	Lumberton	Pearl River-Marion-Lamar-Forrest
Monday, April 23	Port Gibson	Claiborne-Adams-Warren-Jefferson-Copiah
Tuesday, April 24	East McComb	Pike-Walthall-Amite-Franklin-Wilkinson
Wednesday, April 25	Prentiss	Covington-Jeff Davis-Simpson-Lawrence-Lincoln
Thursday, April 26	Canton, Center Terrace	Madison-Hinds-Yazoo-Holmes
Friday, April 27	Charleston	Tallahatchie-Grenada-Quitman-Coahoma-Yalobusha
Monday, April 30	Hollandale	Humphreys-Issaquena-Sharkey-Washington
Tuesday, May 1	Sunflower	Bolivar-Carroll-Leflore-Sunflower
Wednesday, May 2	Coldwater	DeSoto-Panola-Tate-Tunica
Thursday, May 3	Potts Camp	Benton-Lafayette-Marshall-Union
Friday, May 4	Weir	Attala-Choctaw-Montgomery-Winston
Monday, May 7	Pine Grove	(Lauderdale County, off Highway 19)
Tuesday, May 8	Mantee	(Lauderdale-Newton-Neshoba-Kemper
Wednesday, May 9	Tupelo, Harrisburg Church	Clay-Calhoun-Chickasaw-Webster
Thursday, May 10	Rienzi	Lee-Itawamba-Monroe-Pontotoc
Friday, May 11	Columbus, First	Alcorn-Prentiss-Tippah-Tishomingo
		Lowndes-Noxubee-Oktibbeha

Sunday School Lesson

By DR. HIGHT C. MOORE
THE BEGINNINGS OF SIN

Innocent and happy in the Garden of Eden, Adam and Eve, beguiled by Satan the serpent, committed the first human sin which was followed swiftly by the divine reckoning with the sinners, the earliest gospel to them, and the primal penalty upon them (Gen. 3-4).

For 20 centuries the earliest civilization degenerated and was then destroyed by the deluge from which Noah with his family were saved in the ark; and upon abatement of the waters he erected his altar upon the threshold of a new world (Gen. 6:5 to 9:17).

I. ACCOUNTABILITY

ACCOUNTABILITY was embodied in the first test. It was made in mercy to man for his good. He was put in a good place, the Garden of Eden. He was set to a worthy task, for he was to dress and keep the garden. He was given varied and abundant food, for he was authorized to eat freely of every tree in the garden.

The single exception was that he should not eat of "the tree of the knowledge of good and evil" (2:17). Certainly, God as creator and sovereign had a right to withhold that tree from man.

Observe, also, that man was thus given the power of choice, for otherwise he would not have been free; that in no other way than by such a test could man be given opportunity to obey God; that man was warned of the consequences of disobedience which instantly involved spiritual death or the separation of the soul from God, and the sentence of physical death or the separation of the soul from the body.

II. ALIENATION

ALIENATION followed the first sin which was introduced into Eden and the earth by Satan through the serpent then came in his unfallen state, as yet untried by man, and more subtle than any other beast. He approached the woman first, not because she was more deficient or less responsible or could be made guiltier than man, but because she was more impressionable and could lead the man to accept her choice.

The crafty query about the forbidden tree attracted Eve instantly, but there was a tinge of skepticism in it and she would have done well to turn unheedingly away. But in her simplicity she listened and unsuspectingly she answered. Thus the conflict with evil against good began upon earth. For now, emboldened by the attention he had won and by the unsteadiness in the tone of Eve's response, the tempter flatly contradicted the word of God as to the penalty of death and charged divine jealousy and fraud in keeping man ignorant and dependent.

Then she who listened to the tempter looked upon the forbidden tree and it appealed to her appetite since it was good for food, to her sense of the beautiful for it was a delight to the eyes, and to her thirst after knowledge since it would make her wise. So she took and ate of the forbidden fruit and gave to Adam and he also ate without apparent hesitation or remembrance. Both were responsible and, while a simple act, it was unmistakable and deliberate disobedience to God.

III. ARRAIGNMENT

ARRAIGNMENT revealed the first guilt which followed hard upon the first sin. In their dearly-bought knowledge Adam and Eve saw their nakedness, moral and spiritual far more than physical. With vain inventiveness they sought to hide themselves from themselves and God, but fig-leaf aprons were inadequate. Thus the scourge of an outraged conscience was the first lash that fell upon



FLYING SAUCERS. . . . Utilizing the very latest newspaper headlines and "transfer of learning" leaders in the Carpenter Street Baptist Church, Moberly, Missouri, put on a super-duper advertising scheme. They dropped "flying saucer" invitations to attend Sunday School from a small airplane flying over the city. Shown talking with the pilot, right, and giving him the saucers are Sunday School Superintendent Gordon Edwards, center, and the Carpenter Street pastor, Rev. Jack Stanton, left. (BP Photo)

Mission Volunteers Meet At Southwestern Seminary

"Instead of carrying out the Great Commission, we are tarrying in the Great Commission," J. W. MacGorman, professor at Southwestern Seminary, emphasized in the closing service of the Mission Volunteer Fellowship Conference.

Registration totaled 601 students from 25 different campuses. The meeting was held at Southwestern Seminary Feb. 23-24.

Professor MacGorman emphasized the three indispensable of a missionary program as being a fellowship of Christians at home base, the presence of the Holy Spirit as the superintendent of missions, and men and women dedicated to the will of God as bearers of missions.

"We have responded to the Divine importance of world advance with diversion rather than obedience, with palaver rather than pursuit, and with self-living rather than self-giving," he said.

the world's first sinners.

But also they were called to account by him whom they had disobeyed. Discerning the inevitable approach of the Lord God, they hid themselves among the trees of the garden. But again their hiding was in vain. God summoned them, and Adam confessed unusual fear for which there could be but one reason.

The first excuse for the first sin was a miserable attempt on Adam's part to shift the responsibility upon Eve. To the searching question of Jehovah the woman replied that she ate because the serpent deceived her. Really the words of Eve showed a finer spirit and a keener discrimination than those of Adam. Both had sinned and both were guilty before God.

IV. ATONEMENT

ATONEMENT was promised in the first gospel. The sin of Adam and Eve spoiled Eden, alienated man from God, and incurred the penalty of physical and spiritual death. Yet the Messiah was promised before penalty was pronounced.

The conflict with evil, though age-long and attended with struggle and suffering, will terminate in ultimate triumph of the good. Thus Mercy arose with atoning cross instantly and on the very spot where Justice took his stand with flaming sword.

MARKS MEETING HAS 43 ADDITIONS PASTOR IS EVANGELIST

During the Evangelistic Crusade of First Church, Marks, in which Rev. I. D. Eavenson, pastor, did the preaching, there were a total of 43 additions, 29 by profession of faith.

The revival began on March 25 and closed on April 1. The second week of evangelism is scheduled for the first week in May. Rev. Chester, Quarles will do the preaching and Mr. W. C. Morgan will be in charge of the music.

"SOBERING NEWS"

CHICAGO, Ill.—The sobering news of the day may be somewhat liquidated by this bit of statistical intelligence.

Enough whiskey, wine, rum and other liquors are now stored by American beverage distillers to keep every American whiskey drinker comfortably intoxicated for many years to come.

In case a fighting jag of a 24-hours duration—with eight hours sleep—is desired, enough "spirits" is on hand to keep the 13,100,000 whiskey drinkers totally drunk for 776 consecutive days—if 10 ounces of whiskey will do that.

This analysis is made by the American Business Men's Research Foundation of Chicago, who furnish the figures based on the Bureau of Internal Revenue report of liquor in storage as of December, 1950—795,181,080 gallons.

"THE NEED FOR A SYNTHESIS OF life has been discovered as never before. Modern psychologists have come to recognize that the naive separation of the 'subjective' from the 'objective' was based on a false premise. The concept is spreading that Christianity is not a fragment of life, but is the way of life. New discoveries are being made in the vitality of faith and prayer." —Porter Routh, The Baptist Student.

"THE BIBLE IS FAR GREATER than all the self-help books in giving a technique for self-improvement and growth. Do you want to be winsome and attractive in personality? The Bible says in essence, 'Then learn the secret—it is Christian service.' Live for others, and you will find ugly selfishness retreating and attractiveness of spirit advancing." —W. Landon Miller, The Teacher.

Southwestern Prof. To Visit Miss. Colleges

Seven Mississippi colleges are included in the institutions to be visited by professors from Southwestern Seminary during Spring Visitation.

Dr. Floy M. Barnard, Dean of Women, will visit Blue Mountain College. Dr. Robert T. Daniel, professor of Old Testament Theology and Interpretation is to visit Mississippi State, the University of Mississippi, MSCW, Woman's College and Mississippi Southern College. Dr. Charles A. Trentham, assistant professor of Theology, is scheduled to visit Mississippi College.

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Calif. Southern Baptist Group Grows

FRESNO, Calif. —(RNS)— A 300 per cent increase in the number of churches and six-fold jump in membership during the past five years were reported here by the Southern Baptist General Convention of California.

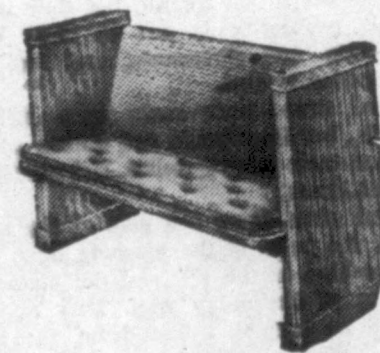
Five years ago church members contributed \$20,000 to a Cooperative Church Program. Last year, the report showed, Convention headquarters here received a quarter million dollars for missionary and benevolent causes.

Two other signs of progress were noted: church employees have increased from seven to 37, and subscriptions to the California Southern Baptist, a weekly newspaper, have jumped from less than 1,000 to more than 8,000.

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CALENDAR OF PRAYER

- April 9—BTU Youth Week; W. R. Roberts, Brotherhood Secretary.
- April 10—Rev. Mark Ferges, DeSoto Association Sunday School Superintendent; Mrs. Karenza Bilfoy, superintendent, Baptist Hospital.
- April 11—N. C. Everett, Jackson Association Brotherhood President; A. B. Williams, McComb, Baptist Orphanage trustee.
- April 12—Dr. Helen Russell Duda, Mississippi College faculty; Shelby Price, District XII, BTU President.
- April 13—Mrs. George McMillan, Deer Creek Association WMU Superintendent; Ed Aultman, Clarke College trustee.
- April 14—Dr. William A. Hoppe, Blue Mountain faculty; Miss Almarie Brown, State WMU President.
- April 15—George Causey, Hattiesburg, Woman's College trustee.



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Jerry Wise Ordained At Double Springs

In an ordination service recently at the Double Springs Church, Oktibeha County, Jerry Wise was ordained to the full Gospel Ministry.

Herman Oswalt, Leslie Vaughn, J. D. Monts and Jeff Peay were ordained as deacons of the church. The charge to the candidates was given by Rev. C. S. Mullins. The charge to the church by Rev. L. B. Wages. The sermon was preached by Rev. G. C. Sansang, and the moderator was Rev. W. O. Presson, pastor of Double Springs Church.

Members of the Presbytery were: Rev. L. B. Wages, Rev. W. O. Presson, Rev. C. S. Mullins, Rev. Hollis Chadwick, J. B. McIwain, A. W. Clardy, Cody Butler, W. W. O'Bannon, Oscar Neely, J. F. Douglas, and A. C. Fulgham.

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Texas Grocer Frisco Youth Rally Speaker

BERKELEY, Calif. —(BP)— Dr. G. Kearnie Keegan, secretary of the Department of Student Work, was in San Francisco and Berkeley February 27-March 3, to begin preparation for a giant youth rally in San Francisco on June 23.

To be held in San Francisco's Civic Auditorium, the rally attendance goal is 10,000. The rally is in connection with the Southern Baptist Convention which meets June 20-24.

Howard Butt, successful grocer and Baptist layman of Corpus Christi, Texas, has been chosen as the main speaker for the rally. Other plans include the Wayland College International Choir and testimonies from prominent Christian laymen.

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"TRADE RAT" CHRISTIANS

By REV. ERWIN L. McDONALD

Out West there is a little animal known as the trade rat. Like rats of all species, the trade rat is a thief. It will steal not only food, but anything else it can move. Even such items as silverware and shoes are not safe from the marauder.

The trade rat's thieving differs in one respect from that of its cousins. It always gives something in return for whatever it takes. The sad part of the story for those whose premises have been raided by the little creature is that what it gives is of no value—mere piles of twigs, stone, or rubbish.

There are Christians a little like the trade rat. They do not steal, to be sure, but they received every day countless blessings from the hand of their heavenly Father and give nothing of real worth in return. God gives them health and the power to get wealth. But they think their prosperity is due to their own strength and cleverness, and feel no obligation to God.

God saves their souls from eternal death, but they would not walk a block out of their way to tell a lost neighbor about Jesus.

God gives them the gold of the sunrise, the pearl of the morning dew, the azure blue of the sky and the diamond glitter of the milky way. They accept it all as part of a hum-drum day and ask, "Where is God?"

God gives them golden days for fruitful Christian service. They squander their hours in selfish getting and sinful indulgence and give him the dregs of a dissipated existence.

Our Father, if we have been trade-rat Christians, forgive us, and help us to show our gratitude for thy innumerable blessings through lives wholly yielded to thee.



Shown above is the 65 voice New Orleans Seminary Choral Club. W. Plunkett Martin is director, Miss Beatrice Collins, organist, and Mrs. Lance Card, pianist. The group will sing in several Mississippi churches during its spring tour.

Thank You, America!

By a Displaced Person

In March, I and my family landed in New York. At the pier we were told that our assurance was cancelled by our sponsor. You can realize how we were discouraged by this event.

But upon the request of CWS, Rev. Earl Edwards, of the Queens Baptist Church, Queens Village, N. Y., agreed to shelter our five-person family in his own home. Pastor and Mrs. Edwards were the first people we met in this country (except the officials at the pier). They received us—people entirely strange to them—in such a kind-hearted manner as if we were their closest relatives, whom they had not seen for a long, long time. It was the very Christian love to neighbors which moved Pastor Edwards to act in this way.

I am sure you realize the whole importance of an emigrant's first impressions in a new country, when he gets amid strange people, strange language, and strange way of life. During the four weeks we spent with the Edwards family they did their best to make us feel happy. They introduced us to the members of their church community and we were often invited by this or that family to stay with them for the whole day. Meantime Pastor Edwards contacted his pastor-colleagues at several cities asking them to look for a position for me.

An Encouraging Answer

It was Rev. Edwin A. Goldsworthy, of the First Baptist Church, Rahway, N. J., who could give an encouraging answer. After a few days I got the position I applied for. Now I am working as a chemist with the American Smelting & Refining Company, Perth Amboy, N. J. and this is the very position for me, because I am a graduate of the University of Zagreb (Yugoslavia) in chemical engineering.

Strange Ideas About America

Generally speaking, the Europeans figure America in a way which is just opposite to the reality. For instance, being in Europe we thought there is only canned food in America and were very

sorry for our children and ourselves to be unable to drink fresh milk and eat some fresh fruit and vegetables. Of course, the first look at the market-store showed us how foolish this presumption was.

Europeans used to blame American schools. The opinion is widely spread there that American pupils do not have to learn hard, because they are mostly playing sporting games instead of molesting their brains with mathematics, languages, history, geography and other subjects. We were anxious about the question of education because we have two daughters—16 and 9—who had to attend schools. I did not believe this tale, thinking in my mind: "Well, if so, then from where do come the engineers who built all these skyscrapers, the beautiful bridges, the railroads and numerous highways, and all those plants and factories?" But as one evening my oldest daughter got 52 examples in algebra as her homework for the next day, I understood that American pupils have to learn hard and American schools are at least as good as European ones.

Some Europeans say that American life consists of "making money" only. Americans like to make money and they like to make plenty of it, too. But there is a big difference between these two continents. While people in most European countries use to deposit their money in a savings account, restricting themselves not only in enjoyments but often from purchasing things they really need—an American never will hesitate to spend his money for enjoying himself. Europeans are wrong: they make themselves slaves of their money. An American knows how to compel his money to be his servant.

Best Traits of Americans

The politeness and readiness to help are the best traits of character of the American people. In Europe most of home-born people very often reproach Displaced Persons with being "unwelcome strangers".

Here the only question has been asked very politely: "How long have

Brewers Hail War Economy As Boon To Liquor Business

"In view of curtailed production of refrigerators, automobiles, etc., and with increased credit curbs, the liquor business can expect to get its increased share of the wage earner's pay check." So stated the keynote speaker at the annual convention of the National Beer Wholesalers Association of America in New York recently.

Another speaker warned that unless the corner tavern does something to promote "sales-appeal techniques" it may become extinct in the next few years. This is due, he said, to the influence of television in transforming the family into a stay-at-home species.

The solution, he continued, to keep liquor sales up is to aim advertising and the promotion of liquor consumption in the home. This is now the goal of the best executives in the business, he concluded.

So you see, my Christian friend, while you and I stand by, the liquor crowd not only reaches out its greedy hands to get "its share" and more of the working man's income, they are devising new and more effective plans to push their wares into your home and mine through the medium of television, radio, the daily press and magazines.

you been in this country?" After my answer, "Only a few months", people said a few encouraging and kind words to me. The second question asked often is: "Do you like this country?" Now I am answering with consciousness: "Yes, I do." I like it for the freedom I found here, . . . for all those people I met here who were so kind to me, and I will do my best to become a good citizen of this United States.

Remember those Displaced Persons who are still in Europe. Then a great number of DPs will say, as I am saying now:

"Thank you, America."